

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Schmidt *et al.*

Appl. No. TBA

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For: Apomixis Conferred By Expression of
SERK Interacting Proteins

Art Unit: TBA

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, beneath the title, please insert the following:

--This is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/EP99/07972 filed October 20, 1999, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

Please replace the sequence listing with the attached substitute paper Sequence Listing, pages 1-24. Applicants hereby provide a Computer Readable Form of the Substitute Sequence Listing as well as the Paper Copy thereof. The undersigned states that the Paper Copy and the

Computer Readable Form, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR §1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are the same.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 13 to read as follows:

13. (Amended) A plant or plant cell transgenically expressing the gene according to claim 10.

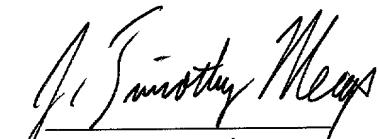
REMARKS

These amendments have been made to conform the application to U.S. standards. No new matter has been added by way of amendment.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version With Markings To Show Changes Made.**"

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the application is now in order for examination. If any additional information is needed, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned representative at (919) 541-8587.

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“Version With Markings To Show Changes Made.”

In The Specification:

The following continuing data has been inserted on page 1 after the title.

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The sequence listing has been replaced with Substitute Sequence Listing, pages 1-24.

In The Claims:

Claim 13 has been amended as follows:

13. (Amended) A plant or plant cell transgenically expressing the gene according to [any one of claims 10-12] claim 10.